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PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING NO. R2000-1/124

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R2000-1

## PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING MODIFYING THE DUE DATE FOR RESPONSES TO NOTICE OF INQUIRY NO. 4

(Issued August 17, 2000)

Presiding Officer's Ruling No. R2000-1/121 granted a Joint Motion of the Office of the Consumer Advocate and United Parcel Service for Extension of Time to Respond to Notice of Inquiry No. 4 (Motion) to extend the due date for responses to Notice of Inquiry No. 4 from August 16, 2000 until August 25, 2000. That Ruling also established a date for the cross-examination of any testimony provided in response to NOI No. 4.

By a Motion of the Office of the Consumer Advocate for Modification of Presiding Officer's Ruling No. R2000-1/121, filed August 16, 2000, parties intending to respond to Notice of Inquiry No. 4 now indicate that they prefer to provide responses by August 21, 2000 in the expectation that this will allow hearings to be concluded on or before September 1, 2000. The Office of the Consumer Advocate indicates that the following parties concur in this request: United States Postal Service, United Parcel Service, Magazine Publishers of America, Inc., Alliance of Nonprofit Mailers, American Business Media, Coalition of Religious Press Associations, Dow Jones and Company, Inc., The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc., National Newspaper Association, and Time Warner, Inc.

I will grant the request that the date for responses to Notice of Inquiry No. 4 be set as August 21, 2000. I will schedule cross-examination of any testimony filed in response to Notice of Inquiry No. 4 after the quantity of that testimony is known.

## **RULING**

Responses to Notice of Inquiry No. 4 are to be submitted on or before August 21, 2000.

Edward J. Gleiman

**Presiding Officer**